



Wasatch Stake Tabernacle



1. TABERNACLE — Historic Site — National Register

On May 4, 1889, the newly-born *Wasatch Wave* exuberantly reported: "The Stake House is finished and cleaned in beautiful style ready for dedication tomorrow. Conference visitors are expected to clean their feet before entering the building and leave their knives and pencils and tobacco at home." It was an especially happy occasion for Abram Hatch, the Stake President, who had initiated the idea for the new Stake House, and who had meticulously superintended its construction every step of the way since ground was broken in 1887. With justification, he felt that it was the finest church building in all of Utah.

The entire project was built with donated labor and materials. The red sandstone was quarried by hand from the mountains east of Heber City near Lake Creek, and hauled to the site by church members who furnished their own teams. With no railroad into the Valley, there were many problems in connection with transporting all the necessary materials to the construction site. Alex Fortie was the supervising "architect," according to the records, and he directed all carpentry work; Elisha Averett was in charge of masonry work; Francis Kirby supervised the painting; Frederick O. Buell managed the cutting and laying of the sheet metal shingles. They are but a few of the many people who worked to erect the Valley's largest and finest building — the people whose names were reported in the newspaper — but of course, there were hundreds of others who "helped." Historian Edward W. Tullidge, duly impressed with the edifice as it neared completion, preserved this information: "The building is 50x95 feet...thirty feet in

**DEDICATION HEBER CITY
MUNICIPAL BUILDING**
May 5, 1989 — 7 P.M.
A Heber City Centennial Celebration

Introduction and
Pledge of Allegiance Centennial Chairman, Louis R. Jackson

Song: "Utah, We Love Thee" Director: Ann Moulton

"History of The Tabernacle" President Ralph Duke

History of Heber City R. Raymond Green

History of Heber City
Municipal Building..... Mayor Gordon Mendenhall

Song "America The Beautiful"

Dedicatory Prayer Albert Winterrose

Song: "Star Spangled Banner"